

RECYCLING VOLUNTEER PROGRAM
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Upcoming Events . . .

For more information about the following events, please contact the Recycling Volunteer Program at (240) 777-6445, or e-mail us at volunteers@mcrcycles.org. All of our activities are approved for Student Service Learning.

OCTOBER

25th	HHW Collection at Briggs Chaney Park and Ride	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
26th	Cedar Grove School Carnival	11:30 a.m. - 3:30p.m.
28th	Block Captains Meeting	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER

2nd	HHW Collection @ Shady Grove Transfer Station	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
9th	HHW Collection @ Poolesville High School	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
15th	HHW Collection @ Westland Middle School	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
15th	Block Captains Meeting	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
22nd	6th Annual Silver Spring Holiday Parade	10:00 a.m. - Noon

DECEMBER

7th	HHW Collection @ Shady Grove Transfer Station	10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m
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Notes from the Editor . . .

Cool weather is finally here and the Recycling Volunteer Program (RVP) is hopping. We have big news! We completed our move from the Transfer Station to the Executive Office Building in Rockville at 101 Monroe Street. This will help the RVP to stay better informed with other recycling outreach initiatives and activities that are going on within the Division of Solid Waste Services. Claire and I are very excited about the move and are looking forward to being integrated with the rest of the Division's recycling educational efforts.

Events around this Fall season. We have many weekday and weekend community events happening. With budgets getting tighter it is more important than ever that we maximize our presence at venues to get us the most exposure to County residents.

We are happy to inform you that the Multi Family Program is sponsoring its annual seminar. This helps recognize those Multi-Family Properties in the County that are doing more than is required to help with our recycling effort. Volunteers are welcome. See the box inside on page 3 for more information about the Seminars.



Volunteers getting
their marching
orders for the
day at the
Montgomery County
Agricultural Fair

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FAIR UPDATE . . .

I would like to take a moment to thank all of the volunteers who went above and beyond the call of duty at the County Fair in August.

Some days it was hot, others it was cold and rainy. Despite the weather, volunteers stayed positive and everyone enjoyed themselves and learned a lot too . . .

We were able to educate THOUSANDS of County residents about the do's and don'ts of recycling as well as provide insight to business owners and employees. We also had numerous teachers make inquiries about what they can do at their schools. All in all it was a very positive outreach event.

Volunteers are the backbone of our efforts. Without you we could never get the job done. There's just too many people to educate!!!



LEAVES / STORM DEBRIS

Looking for a great way to get rid of those leaves and grass from the storm? Compost those materials! The following locations have compost bins available for County residents at NO CHARGE!

BETHESDA-CHEVY CHASE REGIONAL SERVICES CENTER 4805 Edgemoor Lane, Bethesda (301) 986-4325

SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION 16101 Frederick Road Derwood (301) 840-2852

EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING 101 Monroe Street, 6th Floor Rockville (240) 777- 6410

UPCOUNTY REGIONAL SERVICES CENTER 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown (240) 777-8000

EASTERN MONTGOMERY REGIONAL SERVICES CENTER 3300 Briggs Chaney Road, Silver Spring (240) 777-8400

MIDCOUNTY REGIONAL SERVICES CENTER 2424 Reddie Drive, Wheaton (240) 777-8100

Please call ahead to confirm bin availability and operating hours of each facility.



SCRAP METAL COLLECTIONS FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTS

Scrap metal is an often forgotten part of our curbside recycling effort here in the County. The following provides some details about what the County considers scrap metal and how it should be set out for proper pickup. All items should be set at the curb, not in your blue bin.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- ✓ Large household appliances
- ✓ Bikes
- ✓ Metal cabinet
- ✓ Doors
- ✓ Iron Furniture and railings
- ✓ Metal sheds (disassembled)
- ✓ Swing sets (disassembled and concrete removed)
- ✓ Aluminum lawn chairs
- ✓ Shower stalls

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- ✗ NO Automotive parts
- ✗ NO Paint cans
- ✗ NO Propane or oxygen tanks
- ✗ NO Containers under pressure

Call 240-777-6410 no later than 9:30 a.m. on the business day **BEFORE** your collection day to schedule pick up.

Business Recycling... It's the Law

All businesses in Montgomery County must have recycling programs in place. To assist with this Business Recycling Seminars were held on Wednesday, October 22, and Tuesday, October 28 from 9:30am-2:00pm at the Pooks Hill Marriott in Bethesda.

Local business owners came to learn about recycling requirements in the County, and how to ensure that their business stayed in compliance with this important County Law. Featured speakers included Mr. Richard Keller from Maryland Environmental Services, Ms. Patty Brown from the American-Speech-Language Hearing Association and Mr. Odell Hall from Montgomery General Hospital. Each of the speakers presented different perspectives on how the law effects their business and how easy it was to implement a program within their organizations. Highlighted was the ready assistance County staff provides to help local businesses practice recycling in the most efficient and easy way possible. Staff are always on hand to provide one on one assistance with businesses and to answer questions whenever they arise.

Block Captain's Meeting

A training session for our Block Captains program is approaching quickly. The next meeting has been scheduled for Saturday November 15, 2003 from 9am-11am at the Executive Office Building on 101 Monroe Street. The meeting will be in the 6th floor conference room. Breakfast will be served for this meeting. All are welcome. This meeting will help answer questions about what is and isn't recyclable, what is scrap metal and how do we get large items picked up. This will be a discussion session so come with your questions and comments.

If you are interested in helping out your neighbors with recycling questions or if you just want to learn more about County recycling come join us. Call 240-777-6445 to attend. Hope to see you there!